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To: The Federal Election Commission

From: Matt Miller

Re: Response to Allegations MUR 6274

## **RESPONSE TO ALLEGATION #1**

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OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

I did not realize that I was required to have a "clearly defined box" around my disclaimer on my billboard and campaign leaflet. I have run in the prior primary elections twice before and I used the same design for my billboard and leaflet each time. I never received any complaints, so I did not realize I was making a mistake. My campaigns have been run on very limited budgets, and as a result I did not have a lawyer or professional campaign consultant on my campaign team. I tried to interpret the federal election rules myself, and evidently I did not do so correctly. It is true that I did not have a clearly defined box around my disclaimer on my billboard and campaign leaflet, but the billboards and leaflets did contain my committee name and address. The billboards will come down this week.

## RESPONSE TO ALLEGATION #2

Although the allegation is that I "knowingly and willfully printed false materials on my campaign communications..." this is not true. As I mentioned above, I have run for this congressional seat twice before. At the time the materials that are referred to in the allegation were printed they were accurate. In an effort to save money I used the same yard signs and campaign leaflets each time I have ran. They still contained my proper committee name and address, but my past treasurer's name was listed.

Any new materials that I printed during my recent campaign did not have my former treasurer's name. (My former treasurer actually died of cancer suddenly during my campaign.) I was simply using my left over signs and leaflets from one election for the next election to save money. All these yard signs will be down within one week.

## SUMMARY:

I apologize for any problems that my actions have caused. Any violations of the FEC laws that I might have made was unintentional. I either did not interpret them correctly or didn't know that they existed. All of the incorrect materials are being collected and removed as I write this response.

**NAME, SIGNATURE & ADDRESS** 

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The Committee to Elect Matt Miller

SIGNED AND SWORN BEFORE ME, Licki Bailey Helton STATE OF OHIO ON THIS \_ DAY OF MAY, 2010.

> Vicki Bailey-Helton Notary Public, State of Ohio My commission expires 10/18/14